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FRG EMBASSY OFFICER ON MAY 10 PROVIDED PAB COUNTRY DIRECTOR WITH FOLLOWING READOUT OF FRG CONTACTS WITH CHINESE ON THE AFGHAN SITUATION. WHILE VERY SIMILAR TO REFTEL, WE ARE PASSING IT ALONG SINCE SOME INFO SEEMS TO COME FROM A DIFFERENT SOURCE.

1. THE HEAD OF THE RELEVANT DEPARTMENT IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY TOLD THE FRG AMBASSADOR THAT THE CHINESE RECOGNIZED

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THE NEW AFGHANISTAN GOVERNMENT BECAUSE IT WAS ACTUALLY IN POWER. THIS IS CONSISTENT WITH CHINESE POLICY ON RECOGNI-TION. HOWEVER THE CHINESE HAVE STRONG MISGIVINGS AND NOTED THAT THE SOVIET UNION RECOGNIZED IMMEDIATELY.

2. IN A CONVERSATION BETWEEN THE FRG AMBASSADOR AND WANG PING-NAN, CHAIRMAN OF THE CHINESE PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION FOR

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FRIENDSHIP WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES, WANG MADE THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

-- THE CHINESE VIEW AFGHAN DEVELOPMENTS WITH SERIOUS CONCERN.

-- DAOUD TOOK POWER IN 1973 WITH THE HELP OF YOUNG OFFICERS SOME OF WHICH WERE TRAINED IN THE SOVIET UNION INCLUDING ABDUL QADIR. THESE OFFICERS WERE DISPLEASED WITH DAOUD'S NEUTRAL POLICY SINCE THEY PREFERRED A MORE PRO-SOVIET ORIENTATION. DAOUD'S FOREIGN POLICY LED HIM TO DISPENSE WITH THOSE IN HIS GOVERNMENT WHO WERE "MOSCOW'S FRIENDS" AND THIS IN TURN LED TO THE NEW REVOLUTION.

-- WANG SAID LITTLE ABOUT THE AFGHAN COMMUNIST PARTY BUT NOTED SOME OF THE NAMES ARE MOSCOW-LINKED.

-- HE INDICATED THE NEW GOVERNMENT'S ATTITUDE TOWARD ISLAM WAS A QUESTION.

-- HE BELIEVED THE NEW GOVERNMENT WAS FIRMLY INSTALLED FOR THE TIME-BEING.

-- IRAN AND PAKISTAN ARE WORRIED AND THERE IS "PESSIMISM" IN INDIA.

-- THE REGIONAL REACTION COULD GO TWO WAYS: THERE COULD BE CONFIDENTIAL

GREATER ALIGNMENT IN THE REGION IN RESPONSE OF THE SOVIET DANGER, OR THE SITUATION COULD ENCOURAGE PRO-SOVIET FORCES.

-- ACCORDING TO WANG, MANY NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES ARE "WORRIED AND CONCERNED".

3. FRG EMBASSY OFFICER ALSO REPORTED ON CONVERSATION BE-TWEEN FRG AMBASSADOR IN KABUL AND DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER SHAH MOHAMMAD DOST. DOST TOOK ESSENTIALLY THE SAME LINE WE HAVE HEARD ELSEWHERE ON AFGHAN INTENTION TO PURSUE A NEUTRAL FOREIGN POLICY AND FRIENDLY RELATIONS WITH ALL COUNTRIES. ONLY NOTEWORTHY DIFFERENCE WERE REMARKS BY DOST THAT THERE HAVE BEEN SOME CHANGES IN THE MOVEMENT OF THE NON-ALIGNED STATES SINCE BANDUNG AND THAT AFGHANISTAN WOULD PROBABLY MOVE WITHIN THE NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT TOWARD THE SIDE OF THE RADICALS SUCH AS CUBA AND ALGERIA. VANCE

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